

## OUR RELATIONS WITH FRANCE

The House listened with close attention to the reading of the Dayton correspondence. There were murmurs of disapprobation when certain extracts from Seward's dispatches were reached. The papers were referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations, and it is understood that Winter Davis will make a report to the House.

The great importance of this correspondence

"In answer to a resolution of the House of Representatives yesterday, on the subject of the joint resolution of the 4th of last month, relative to the removal of the Secretary of State's report from the Secretary of State, to whom the order was referred.

"ABRAHAM LINCOLN  
[Signed] "WASHINGTON, May 24, 1862."

"To the President:

"The Secretary of State, to whom has been referred the joint resolution of the House of Representatives yesterday, requesting the President to communicate to that House, if not inconsistent with the laws and regulations of the United States, the correspondence given by the Government of the United States to the Government of France respecting the removal of the Secretary of State's report relative to Mexico, which passed the 4th of April last, and has been laid before the House of Representatives unanimously, on the 4th of April last, and has been laid before the President a copy of all the correspondence on record in this department on the subject of the joint resolution. Respectfully submitted.

[Signed] "WM. H. SEWARD,  
"Secretary of State."  
"WASHINGTON, May 24, 1862."

"MR. SEWARD TO MR. DAYTON.  
"DEPARTMENT OF STATE.  
"WASHINGTON, April 7, 1864."

the 4th inst, by a unanimous vote, and which declares the opposition of that body to the recognition of a monarchy in Mexico. Mr. Audrey has lost no time in asking an explanation of this proceeding. It is hardly necessary, after what I have heretofore written with perfect candor for the information of France, to say that this resolution truly interprets the unanimous sentiment of the people of the United States in regard to Mexico. It is, however, a distinct question whether the United States are bound to recognize the proper to express themselves in the form adopted by the House of Representatives at this time. This is a practical and merelv

stitutionally belongs not to the House of Representatives, nor even to Congress, but to the President of the United States. You will observe that I take notice that the declaration made by the House of Representatives is in the form of a joint resolution, which, before it can acquire the character of a legislative act, must receive—first, the concurrence of the Senate; and, secondly, the approval of the President of the United States, or in case of his renewal, the assent of both Houses of Congress, to be expressed by a majority of two-thirds of each body. While the President receives the declaration of the House of Representatives with the profound respect to

Upon a grave and important subject, he treats at once, informing the Government of France that he does not at present contemplate any departure from the policy which this Government has hitherto pursued in regard to the war which exists between France and Mexico. It is hardly necessary to say that the preceding of the House of Representatives was adopted on suggestions arising within itself, and not upon a communication of the executive department, and that the French Government would be reasonably apprised of any change of policy upon this subject which the President might at any future time think it proper to adopt.

MR. DAYTON TO MR. SEWARD.  
[Extract.]  
"PARIS, April 23, 1864.  
"I visited Mr. Drouyn De L'Hays yesterday, at the Department of Foreign Affairs. The first words he addressed to me on entering the room were, 'Do you bring us peace, or bring us war?' I asked him to what he referred, and he said he referred more immediately to the resolutions recently passed by Congress in reference to the invasion of Mexico by the French, and the establishment of Maximilian upon the throne of the country."

"I make war against her on account of anything contained in the resolution; that they embodied nothing more than had been constantly held out to the French Government from the beginning; that I had always represented to the Government here that any action upon their part, interfering with the form of government of Mexico, would be looked upon with dissatisfaction in our country, and they could not expect us to be in haste to acknowledge a monarchical government, built upon the foundation of republicanism, as our next neighbor; that I had reason to believe you had held the same language to the French Minister in the United States.

viously received the resolution in question as a serious step upon our part, and I am told that leading Secessionists have built largely upon these resolutions as a means of fomenting feeling between this country and ourselves. Messrs. Mason and his Secretary have gone to Brussels to confer with Mr. Dudley Fane, who is their Commissioner at that place, Mr. Slidell, it is said was to have gone to Austria, although he has not got off.

"I am, sir, your obedient servant,  
[Signed] "WM. L. DAYTON,  
"Hon. Wm. Seward, Secretary of State."  
Mr. Dayton writes again on May 24, to Mr. Seward, detailing the circumstances of an in-

Mr. Seward with whom Mr. Dayton of De La Haye seemed to have been consulted, and noticing the apparent fact that the extreme selfishness of the French Government relative to the House resolutions had evidently subsided.

Mr. Seward wrote very briefly on May 29th and May 31st, expressing his entire satisfaction with what Mr. Dayton had said in his interview with the French Minister, and speaking of Mr. Corwin's absenting himself from his post in Mexico under a leave granted last August.

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BUCKWHEAT UNFIT FOR SHEEP.—Mr. James I. Peck, of Albany, C. W., writes as follows

In the fall of 1862 we went into winter quarters with forty eight French and Spanish Merino sheep and ten common grade sheep, of which were in good (store) condition. We kept them in the basement story of a barn 8 by 37 feet, which was very comfortable, with good racks, &c. In the early part of the winter we fed pea straw and corn stalks; and having over four hundred bushels of buckwheat to thrash in that barn, about midwinter we commenced thrashing it with the flail; and, as feed was supposed to be very scarce, we thought it necessary to save every ounce of it, and, as the sheep began feeding buckwheat straw, and we were all well, we continued

oth and eat buckwheat straw in preference. Consequently we gave our sheep what buckwheat straw and chaff they could eat for six or eight weeks; and during this period all seemed right until the fine warm days in April, when we found one sheep after another would leave the flock and appear stupid, not appearing to recognize the flock or anything around it, and, in a few days, would find its own death and die. The other sheep in the flock became necessary to ascertain what the disease was, and I consulted Youatt on Sheep, L. Allen's Diseases of Animals, but could find no light thrown on the matter. We did not know what treatment to follow. The sheep were

lows signs of the malady. They became bloody about the forehead and neck, the wool and skin having been rubbed from their necks, foreheads and legs. One of the sheep rubbed its head close to the ground the sight of one eye. They kept dying one after another in this way until we had lost twenty-three of the Merinos, and nine out of ten of the grades. We now changed our feed to carrots and turnips, and gave frequently plenty of salt and sulphur, and with a good deal of care and trouble we saved the balance of the flock; but they did not entirely recover from the malady until about the first of July.—(Genesee Farmer.

Garibaldi was just received a legacy of \$30,000 from a distant relative whom she never saw but once, but whose heart she won by her kindness toward him. This shows that kindness, which never comes amiss, is sometimes good layment.

Garibaldi speaks fourteen different languages. Being asked to write something for a little boy's scrap-book, he instantly composed some verses in Greek.

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